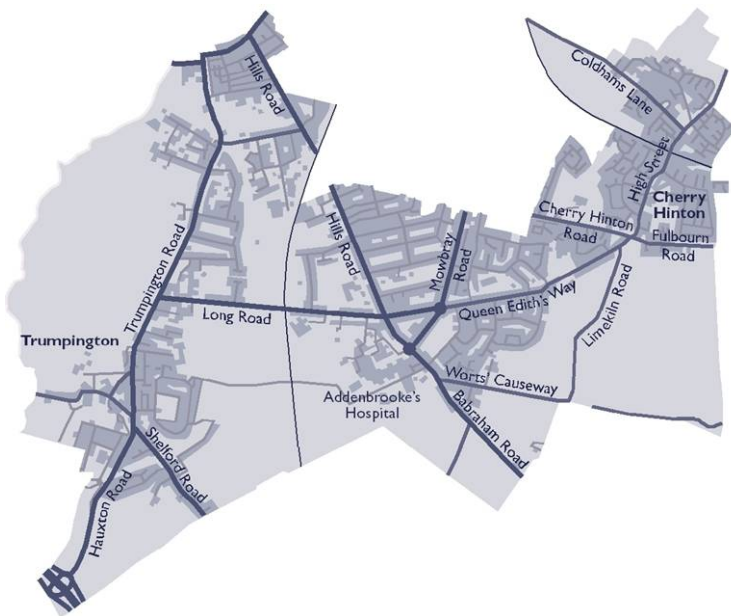


Neighbourhood profile update Cambridge City South Neighbourhood

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1. INTRODUCTION

Aim

The aim of the Neighbourhood profile update is to provide an overview of action taken since the last reporting period, identify ongoing and emerging crime and disorder issues, and provide recommendations for future priorities and activity in order to facilitate effective policing and partnership working in the area.

The document should be used to inform multi-agency neighbourhood panel meetings and neighbourhood policing teams, so that issues can be identified, effectively prioritised and partnership problem solving activity undertaken.

Methodology

This document was produced using the following data sources:

- Cambridgeshire Constabulary crime and anti social behaviour (ASB) incident data for April 2013 to May 2013, compared to the previous two months (February 2013 to March 2013) and the same reporting period in 2012.
- City Council environmental services data for the period April to May 2013; and
- Information provided by the Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team, Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue Service and the City Council's Safer Communities Section.

2. CURRENT PRIORITIES

At the South Area Committee meeting of 9 May 2013, the committee recommended adopting the following priorities:

- Reduce the theft of pedal cycles in the South Area;
- Combat the supply of drugs in the South area; and
- Vehicle parking issues in Almoners Avenue and Mill End Road.

The Neighbourhood Action Group, at its meeting of 16 May, assigned the actions to be taken and the lead officers for each of the priorities. The tables below summarise the action taken and the current situation.

Reduce the theft of pedal cycles in the South Area	
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Reduce the theft of pedal cycles in Trumpington, specifically those occurring in the Newtown area of the Ward. □ Increase the awareness of local pedal cyclists about the risks of becoming a victim of cycle crime, by encouraging the use of sound crime prevention measures.
Action Taken	<p>The work undertaken by the South area team consists of two approaches to tackling the cycle crime problem in Newtown: crime prevention and targeted enforcement.</p> <p>The crime prevention work consists of visits to local businesses, residences with communal cycle parks and educational premises, as well as local engagement with cyclists in the street and at neighbourhood surgeries. We are promoting the use of good quality locks and the Immobilise internet database.</p> <p>The message of Register, Report and Reunite is now a recurring theme on the South Area e-cops messages and frequent high visibility patrols around the Newtown area have been used to deter would be offenders. Over the last reporting period, there have been approximately 12 hours of dedicated patrols on this priority.</p>
Current Situation	<p>There continue to be high levels of cycle crime associated with the Trumpington beat area. Cycle crime for this reporting period (60 offences) compared to the previous reporting period (31 offences) and the same reporting period last year (39 offences) shows an increase. Analysis of this increase shows that almost all of the Trumpington cycle crime occurs in the Newtown area with its increasing number of residential and student accommodation. Its large number of commercial and educational premises and its proximity to the town centre being</p>

	contributing factors to the prevalence of cycle crime in the area. As the summer seasonal peak approaches the historical data suggests that this is the time for continued and focused attention.
Lead Officer	Sergeant Jim Stevenson, Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Combat the supply of drugs in the South Area	
Objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Target individuals and organised groups travelling to the South area of Cambridge to engage in the supply of controlled drugs, particularly Class A drugs. □ Target the supply of drugs, particularly Class A drugs, by individuals resident in the South area.
Action Taken	<p>In the last two months, the South area police team, working with the East area police team, have successfully executed 4 search warrants under the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971. This has resulted in the recovery of several quantities of Class A and Class B drugs and the discovery of a sizeable cannabis factory containing plants with a potential street value of £50,000.</p> <p>Three people have been arrested for being concerned in the supply of Class A drugs, one person reported for possession of class B drugs and one person circulated as wanted for being concerned in the production of a class B drug.</p> <p>Information supplied by concerned residents led to the stop of three vehicles. The first one resulted in the recovery of a small amount of Class B drugs and the cautioning of a male for possession. The second resulted in the arrest of 3 persons for being concerned in the supply of Class A drugs all of whom are now on police bail. The last resulted in the recovery of another small amount of Class B and two Formal Warnings for the occupants.</p> <p>Enquiries made as a result of the second vehicle stop resulted in the search of a premises under powers granted by the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984. A cannabis factory was found at the premises as well as a quantity of Class A drugs. The two occupants were arrested for possession of Class A, Possession of Class B, Production of Class B and permitting premises to be used for the production of a controlled drug.</p> <p>A welfare visit to the tenant of one of the addresses searched under a court warrant resulted in the discovery of another suspected Class A dealer setting up shop in the premises and</p>

	another arrest for possession with intent to supply.
Current Situation	Intelligence and information from the public still continues to come to the attention of the South team. This indicates there are still several individuals in the South area who remain active in the supply of controlled drugs. Work is currently being undertaken to develop this information into a form that can be presented to a court so that further search warrants can be issued and executed. Although we have received some positive feedback from local residents about individuals we have already targeted, this is balanced by information about new individuals coming to the attention of concerned residents. There is still plenty of information that organised groups of individuals continue to travel to Cambridge from outside the area to supply controlled drugs. Identifying and targeting those individuals remains a priority for the South team.
Lead Officer	Sergeant Jim Stevenson, Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Vehicle parking issues in Almoners Avenue and Mill End Road	
Objective	To reduce the incidents of anti-social and illegal parking in the areas of Almoners Avenue and Mill End Road.
Action Taken	<p>Almoners Avenue</p> <p>Anti-social parking problems continue along Almoners Avenue, especially on that part of the road between Topcliffe Way and Beaumont Road. Double parking is common, where vehicles have parked on both sides of the road causing the obstruction. Unfortunately, it is rare that it can be established which vehicle parked there last, causing the obstruction as the person parking first did so quite lawfully. This is making fair punitive enforcement action difficult.</p> <p>A joint day of action is planned with the Fire Service. We are also liaising with Addenbrooke's Hospital to get messages about considerate parking around the hospital out to their staff and visitors via their own internal and public information sources such as the quarterly staff newsletter.</p> <p>Mill End Road</p> <p>The bollards and cycle rack were installed in April due to the number of complaints the police and councillors had been receiving from residents with regards to people driving on the path and parking outside the shop. The first set of bollards did not discourage people and they were still parking outside the shop. However since the last bollard was placed in June this has stopped people parking on the path at the front of the</p>

	<p>shop.</p> <p>The problem has shifted to people now parking on the double yellow lines on Mill End Road. The police cannot issue Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) for this offence so have contacted Cambridgeshire Parking Services who have given an undertaking to increase the frequency of their patrols in response to this issue and issue Penalty Charge Notices when appropriate. The police continue to move people, work with the local shops to discourage people from parking illegally and issue FPNs for the offence of causing an unnecessary obstruction.</p>
Current Situation	<p>Although the situation in both areas remains far from ideal, positive work with partner agencies has been undertaken and more is planned. This situation is unlikely to be resolved purely through police enforcement and further work with Highways, the Fire Service and local parking enforcement can be progressed as part of business as usual.</p> <p>The fire service continues to monitor and engage with drivers who park and constrict access in the Queen Edith's for emergency vehicles. 14 hours of time was devoted to engaging with drivers parking in the constrained area of Almoners Ave. Advisory notices placed on 47 cars and posters attached to lamp posts in the affected areas. However when there is no presence, drivers continue to park regardless. There has been no response from the County Highways Department with regard for a request for temporary measures to be enacted at this location pending the outcome of larger scale research.</p>
Lead Officer	Sergeant Jim Stevenson, Cambridgeshire Constabulary

3. PRO-ACTIVE WORK & EMERGING ISSUES

- ❑ Although the statistics only cover a two month period, overall crime is down compared to same period last year
- ❑ Good reductions in criminal damage and shed burglary compared to same period last year
- ❑ Anti-social behaviour is stable
- ❑ Previous experience indicates there may be a seasonal increase in ASB in the Spinney School area which is associated with the 'lake' in Cherry Hinton. This is therefore recommended as a priority.

4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CURRENT CRIME & ASB INCIDENT LEVELS BY WARD

			Dwelling Burglary	Other Burglary	Violent Crime	Robbery	Theft of Vehicle	Theft from Vehicle	Cycle Theft	Theft from Shop	Criminal Damage	Other Crime	TOTAL CRIME	TOTAL ASB
AREA	City South	<i>April 13 – May 13</i>	12	6	36	0	2	13	60	3	21	51	204	133
		<i>April 12 – May 12</i>	12	16	47	2	6	7	39	5	31	62	227	132
		<i>Feb 13 – March 13</i>	11	16	30	0	1	15	31	5	21	36	166	91
WARDS	Cherry Hinton	<i>April 13 – May 13</i>	2	1	10	0	1	4	11	1	10	11	51	43
		<i>April 12 – May 12</i>	4	6	21	0	5	4	12	2	8	13	75	41
		<i>Feb 13 – March 13</i>	2	2	7	0	0	2	8	0	5	9	35	22
	Queen Edith's	<i>April 13 – May 13</i>	8	1	19	0	0	3	15	1	5	12	64	41
		<i>April 12 – May 12</i>	4	6	14	2	1	2	11	1	10	16	67	45
		<i>Feb 13 – March 13</i>	7	5	11	0	0	3	11	0	8	14	59	33
	Trumpington	<i>April 13 – May 13</i>	2	4	7	0	1	6	34	1	6	28	89	49
		<i>April 12 – May 12</i>	4	4	12	0	0	1	16	2	13	33	85	46
		<i>Feb 13 – March 13</i>	2	9	12	0	1	10	12	5	8	13	72	36

ARSON DATA

Period: April 2013 to May 2013

Deliberate fire summary:

Incident	Refuse	Bin	Vehicle	Residential	Non residential
Cherry Hinton					2
Queen Edith's					1
Trumpington					

General	The south of the city remains very quiet in terms of fire related anti-social behavior. However the fire service is aware of community concerns regarding youth conduct in the area. The service is undertaking preventative patrols in the area and working with partners to maintain a preventative presence.
Cherry Hinton	Two grass fires.
Queen Edith's	Single small fire outdoor structure.
Trumpington	Nil.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DATA

Cherry Hinton

Abandoned vehicles

- April 2013 to May 2013: 3 reports, which included 3 vehicle subsequently claimed by their owners
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: 3 reports

Fly tipping

- April 2013 to May 2013: 22 reports
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: 6 reports

Derelict cycles

- April 2013 to May 2013: 1
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: 1

Needle finds

- April 2013 to May 2013: None
- Hotspots: None

- April 2012 to May 2012: None

Queen Edith's

Abandoned vehicles

- April 2013 to May 2013: 2 reports, which included
 - 1 vehicle subsequently claimed by their owners
 - 1 CLE26 notices issued to offenders on behalf of the DVLA for not displaying road tax on a public highway
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: 1 report

Fly tipping

- April 2013 to May 2013: 2 reports
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: 2 reports

Derelict cycles

- April 2013 to May 2013: 2
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: 8

Needle finds

- April 2013 to May 2013: None
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: None

Trumpington

Abandoned vehicles

- April 2013 to May 2013: 2 reports, which included 2 vehicles not on site following inspection
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: No reports

Fly tipping

- April 2013 to May 2013: 15 reports
- Hotspots: Anstey Way (4)
- April 2012 to May 2012: No reports

Derelict cycles

- April 2013 to May 2013: 9
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: 9

Needle finds

- April 2013 to May 2013: None
- Hotspots: None
- April 2012 to May 2012: None

5 RECOMMENDATIONS

- Reduce the theft of pedal cycles in the South area
- Combat the supply of drugs in the South area
- Anti-social behaviour around the Spinney School area